

SST Typesetting:

Unionized but unemployed

by Diane Turbide

Ten of the 11 employees of SST Typesetting were told yesterday that they will be laid off April 6.

The layoffs were announced two days after the Students' Society-run shop received certification as a legal bargaining unit affiliated with the Quebec Federation of Labour.

The Society's Comptroller Jon Shifman, however, stated the layoffs are a usual occurrence at this time of year and are not a reaction to the unionization.

"Summer is traditionally a very slow period. Most of our work ceases when the Daily and other student papers stop publishing, and it's very difficult to get other contracts that will fit into that four-month gap."

While the layoffs were expected by the union, there is concern about rehiring. The staff wants seniority to be the sole criteria for rehiring, but management has added other factors—such as the level of skill and general reliability of employees—to their criteria for rehiring.

The staff wants more specifications about the precise criteria that will be used in rehiring. As shop steward Elizabeth Bolton said after yesterday's meeting: "We were told very clearly at the meeting that management has no intention of spelling out their criteria for rehiring, or of establishing a call-back based strictly on seniority."

Commenting on the rehiring system, SST Manager Francis Fuca said he was satisfied with the competency of his staff and that, given the availability of work next term, saw no reason why they will not be rehired.

The union is not satisfied with this statement of intention. According to Bolton there are too many loopholes. "They could easily redefine the kinds of skills required for a position or simply create new categories for which we'd be considered unskilled."

The union is pleased that Fuca thinks the current production output is good, but feels that staff are "essentially being penalized for billing losses" the shop has sustained." Shifman admitted at the meeting that the shop is not in a "profitable position" and is "fixed into poor contracts."

The amount of available work has been a recurring problem for SST and is one of the reasons, according to Shifman, that the shop is running a \$25,000 deficit. SST sees its role as primarily a service-oriented enterprise for the student body, and has been reluctant to undertake too many commercial contracts. Students' Society Executive Director Ron Lerman told the Daily yesterday, "We specialize in being available to the academic community and would refuse a commercial venture that would impede our production of the Daily and other student publications."

Shifman and Fuca want to concentrate on getting more of the typesetting contracts from McGill. According to Shifman, "McGill sends out more than \$200,000 worth of typesetting to outside shops and we have to prove that we can handle those jobs. Our efforts this year have been directed towards improving internal efficiency and we have succeeded in almost doubling our production. If we can continue in this vein, SST won't have to be in this position next year."

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Jeff Matus

Trudeau beware: Parliaments are changing. Tonight at 8 pm the Savoy Society begins a five-night run of the Gilbert and Sullivan favorite "Iolanthe" in Moyse Hall. Last night's dress rehearsal points to lots of fun for the audience. Get your tickets at Sadie's now.

Canadian universities:

Lack of funds stifle R & D

by Harold Koblin

The lack of increased subsidies for research and development has affected the quality of research at Canadian universities, according to Dean W.F. Hirschfeld, the VP Research at McGill. The problem, he said, is "there has been a decline in the purchasing power of research grants since 1970."

In 1970, most research grants came from the federal government. Since then, the Quebec government has increased its interest in this field, and currently spends about \$10 million a year on research.

Although these new grants have increased the total sum of money available for research, Hirschfeld recently told the Daily that the state of research has suffered at McGill, and at Canadian universities on the whole because "the new funds have not compensated for the loss in spending power due to inflation."

The Green Paper on University Education recently introduced in the National Assembly suggests forming a special Ministry of Information and Technology. In the interim, it suggests "a collective

examination of the role of the university in the area of research, and the use of the Ministry of Education to coordinate research being carried out in Quebec universities."

Hirschfeld denied that McGill and other Quebec universities are about to face cutbacks in research funding from the Quebec government. "The current Green Paper does not imply that grants from Quebec will be reduced. Instead, the Quebec government will steer funds more carefully than it has done in the past."

Hirschfeld was optimistic about McGill's financial future vis-à-vis provincial funding.

"This year's grants from the Quebec government won't be announced until the beginning of May at the earliest. They've been extremely late giving out information, but I don't believe that McGill will suffer any losses."

In a related story, the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada (AUCC) continued on page 6

Montreal symposium:

Scharansky arrest commemorated

by Philip Petraglia

Over 250 people attended a Monday night symposium at the Hotel Bonaventure held in recognition of the second anniversary of Soviet dissident Anatoly Scharansky's arrest and subsequent conviction. Accused of spying for a foreign intelligence service, Scharansky was sentenced last summer to 13 years hard labor.

Special guest at the symposium was Avital Scharansky, wife of the imprisoned dissident. Although she has not seen her husband for the last five years, she remains hopeful. "Because of your protest and public opinion," she said,

"there is hope. Please don't stop."

Nick Auf Der Maur, city councillor, broadcaster, writer, and moderator of the gathering, told the audience that people in other countries do not have the rights we take for granted.

"Scharansky has become a symbol of one who acts according to his conscience and who was found guilty because he acted on laws in accordance with the Helsinki agreements."

The Helsinki Accord is a non-binding security and cooperation document signed in 1975 by 33 nations including Canada and the United States. The Accord pledges to "respect

human freedoms." Supporters of Scharansky say the Soviet government violated the principles of the document during the trial.

Paul Chapin, an official in the Canadian Department of External Affairs, made it clear, however, that the final act of the Helsinki Accord is not a treaty. "There is no legally binding obligation on the part of nations," he said. "There is only a declaration of intent. Nations are expected to abide by certain principles by which the standard of detente could be measured."

Irwin Cotler, McGill law professor and defence lawyer

for Scharansky, spoke of the continuing harassment of dissidents by the Soviet government.

"For two years now, the Soviet Union has unleashed an unprecedented repression against Soviet Jews. In the last two years, over 200 leaders have been harshly interrogated. A vicious campaign against dissidents associated with Helsinki was applied."

The symposium emphasized Scharansky's role in the human rights movement.

"Scharansky is the heart and voice of the human rights movement," said Cotler. "He is continued on page 7

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The rest of the editorial board for Volume 69 will be chosen today. The poll will be open from 3 to 5:10 pm. Come vote for production manager, news editors, Weekly, sports and fiction editors. See you in B01.



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The Quebec student movement

It all comes down to money

By Havi Echenberg

Quebec Bureau Chief
Canadian University Press

MONTREAL (CUPBEQ) — On November 6, 1978, a general student assembly at CEGEP Rimouski decided on a strike to pressure the government for changes to the student loans and bursaries system.

Two days later, students at CEGEP Chicoutimi took similar action.

Within two weeks, the province's students' association, l'Association Nationale des Etudiants du Québec (ANEQ) had met twice, endorsed this action, had called for similar actions from all its members, and close to 100,000 students had closed more than 30 CEGEPs and the province's largest university.

Comments and advice to both students and the government had come from the province's Chamber of Commerce, the premier, the association of parents of these students, the national students' union in France, Canada's National Union of Students, and both *Le Devoir* and *The Globe and Mail*.

The students later demonstrated at Laval University when the premier spoke, and those inside dominated the question period by grilling Lévesque on the issue of student financial aid. In Montreal, 1500 students marched in the streets, and occupied the Ministry of Education offices here for four hours, all in an attempt to get the Minister to deal with the problem of student financial aid.

AGREED TO MEET

The question of the financial aid system and the striking students was brought up regularly in the National Assembly. The Education Minister agreed to meet with representatives of ANEQ, and while there was no headway made at that meeting, the Minister finally made five concessions, related to only three of the association's twelve demands. While ANEQ declared itself displeased with the concessions, students returned to class to write Christmas exams and never went on strike again.

Why did so many students strike? Why did the strike last so long? Was ANEQ so effective as to get the interest and support of so many people, and the interest of so many more? Why were so many students ready to miss class, to set up picket lines, to attend ANEQ meetings, weekend after weekend? In short, why did this strike achieve the stature and even the limited success it did?

First, the deteriorating economy has

surely made all Canadians, and Quebecers in particular, more aware of anything and everything to do with money. The student financial aid system is placing more and more of the burden on students through increased loans and decreased bursaries. Also, its maximum payable amount is barely enough to live on, if that much. The regulations concerning student contributions from summer employment failed to take into account the impossibility for most students of finding jobs. The regulations governing who could be considered for aid regardless of parental income were ludicrous, even if they are better than those of Ontario, as the Minister so proudly said. Times are tough, and the government policy of financial aid to students simply does not reflect these times.

FREE TUITION PROMISE

To add insult to injury, the government party had promised, as a party contesting the 1976 election, free tuition for all post-secondary students in Quebec. While Parti Québécois education critic at that time, Claude Charron, said clearly at that time this would only be possible after independence, this fact was not widely publicized during the campaign, and students saw the regulation for loans and bursaries as a blatant hypocrisy. The government did nothing to clear up the inconsistency in the platform and the policy. The government has still done nothing to improve its image in this area.

Then, as if the free tuition policy did not give students enough ammunition in the battle against the system, the government published a White Paper on CEGEP education, calling loudly and clearly for quality education "accessible to all". A later government study would show that less than 40 per cent of high school graduates from "economically disadvantaged" backgrounds even applied to CEGEP, compared to 100 per cent of those students from "more

advantaged" backgrounds. Even without this information, it did not take students long to make the connection between increased accessibility in principle and the need for increased financial aid in practice.

In addition, figures from Statistics Canada were showing clearly that all students were facing high unemployment last summer, that the projections for this summer were no better, and that Quebec was the hardest hit of all. Stats Canada figures showed that one in four Quebec students actively seeking employment last summer were disappointed. And that didn't include those who gave up and stopped looking when reality hit them in the face. While the government in Quebec was expecting substantial contributions from students before granting student aid, the federal government was telling them they couldn't all expect to find jobs.

FINANCIAL REMUNERATION

The federal government was also in the process of ensuring that those students who had found jobs last summer would be ineligible for unemployment insurance benefits this summer if they couldn't repeat the miracle. The revision to the unemployment insurance act, passed in December, made it next to impossible for most students, whether or not they were employed last summer and whether or not they managed to find and hold down part-time jobs this academic year, to expect any financial remuneration from a national insurance scheme they had contributed to with their wages.

The injustices were clear. They could not be ignored. And some had nothing to do with the Quebec government. But only the Quebec government could make it possible for some of these students to return to school.

While student aid is paid for on a shared-cost basis by the provincial and federal governments, the students knew they would have more impact on their own government. This, after all, was the

government they had helped, to a great extent, to elect. And theirs were the votes the government would have to count on to get the referendum passed, and to get independence on the road for the benefit of all.

That, combined with the relatively early point in the academic year, the apparent availability of time to negotiate before academic careers were to be put on the line, had to play a big part in the widely-popular decision to take action. Even those CEGEPs not funded entirely by the government, where students have to pay tuition, and are therefore generally from "economically advantaged" backgrounds left the classroom to support these demands.

MINOR CONCESSIONS

Students had had enough. And the government barely budged. Perhaps the government feels these students will continue to support them for their political philosophy of independence. Perhaps the government honestly wasn't able to make any more concessions. Whatever the reasons, the concessions were minor, but students had to write exams. And when they returned, they had had time to think. To think about getting out of school by the end of May so they could fill any jobs that were available. To think about getting their diplomas so they could think about competing for the limited job opportunities awaiting CEGEP graduates. Time to think about economics and its influence on political activity.

So, the students had come full circle. They had left the classroom over economic issues, and they were returning for the same reason.

This strike was one of economic motivation. Students were not demanding power, they were demanding money. And when the strike reached sufficient length to threaten future income, they gave it up.

UNIVERSITY STUDENTS

Perhaps this economic motivation also explains why, for the most part, university students did not participate. While those students attending universities probably need the funds from government aid programs even more than those in the CEGEP system since their tuition costs are higher, by the process of natural selection, fewer of the really "economically disadvantaged" students ever make it to university, and those that do have too much at stake to risk loss of academic credit for a possibility of future improvements.

Only one anglophone institution, a CEGEP, took any part in the strike. It could be argued they are not economically disadvantaged, but that would be to ignore the large number of students who barely manage to make ends meet while in school. It could be argued that the job market in Quebec is so limited for anglophones that anglophone students can afford fewer risks than their francophone counterparts, but this would be to ignore the vast mobility of anglophone students outside Quebec. More likely, they simply didn't feel they could pressure the government in the same way francophones could, nor that the government was willing to negotiate for their support when they didn't expect or need it anyway. But for the majority francophone community, political support for the party from students was put on the auction block.



Letters

How about slaughter of innocent vegetables?

To the Daily:

I would like to reply to the very interesting letter of Ms. Kirchenberger. It seems to me that, being a vegetarian, she is a cut above most anti-sealers. This is because eating meat (just as clothing oneself in seal fur) is not essential for human survival.

However, she deplores the fact that most protesters are accused of opposing the hunt simply because the seals are "cute." Unfortunately, if she thinks about it, this is precisely the reason why she protests it.

Ms. Kirchenberger agrees that the seals are in no danger of extinction. Given this fact, why are true seal hunt protesters (vegetarians) not forming groups and actively protesting the slaughter of another unendangered species—the cow? The method for killing cattle is no less humane. Why then, are there no seal hunt protesters picketing McDonald's? The answer is simple: baby seals are cute.

Ms. Kirchenberger says, "The cruelty of slaughterhouses is also no excuse to kill elsewhere." Granted, but what I'd like to know is why she does not protest the same cruel killing in the slaughterhouses? Why should a true "animal lover" only be concerned about slaughter "elsewhere"?

I said earlier that Ms. Kirchenberger is a cut above most seal hunt protesters in that she is a vegetarian. This, however, makes her argument only partly consistent, for she only passively protests the slaughter of cows, while she actively protests the slaughter of seals.

If you sincerely believe that animals—not simply "cute" seals—should not be treated as "commodities," then come on Ms. Kirchenberger, I'm waiting for your letter exhorting us against the consumption of meat, and castigating the western beef farmers!

Jack Cooke
Arts U2

Disruption justified

To the Daily:

I wish to respond to a series of letters written by Mr. Noumoff that were printed in the Montreal press this last weekend concerning the recent meeting at McGill University of the Chinese Ambassador.

Mr. Noumoff refers to people like myself who came to this meeting to protest the Chinese invasion of Vietnam as "hooligans ... mostly of Vietnamese origin." This statement is absolutely false and even slanderous on at least two counts. First, I can readily testify that the majority of the people protesting Chinese aggression in Indochina at this meeting were non-Vietnamese and secondly, to characterize people who are shocked by the actions of the Chinese government and wish to make known their sentiments against this policy as "hooligans," only reflects the poverty of Mr. Noumoff's attitudes, and not the activity of the people protesting.

As a former American, who left his country rather than participate in the American war against the Vietnamese people, I was forced to recall the striking similarity of Mr. Noumoff's letter to many that were written by university professors during the time of the anti-war movement in the United States and Canada.

These academics were literally horrified and aghast to discover that their sacred "ivory towers" were not immune to the protest against the US war in Vietnam. It was, indeed, a sad day for them when they woke up to find that even American presidents were no longer welcome at their university.

If Mr. Noumoff thinks that while the Chinese government picks up where the "American war-machine" left off in Vietnam, and brings destruction and death on the heroic Vietnamese people, one should show "the decency to permit those views to be aired and rationally examined," then fine. He will be left where so many of

his predecessors fell during the time of the anti-war movement, completely on the side of aggression and reaction.

And as painful and tragic as it may be for many of us to admit, it is becoming more and more evident each day that the people who wield power in the Chinese government are functioning "inside the same cloth" as their American friends who brought death and destruction to Vietnam, Laos, and Kampuchea.

With history as our guide, let us remember that it was not the protesters against the Indochinese who were judged as "hooligans," but the American government itself. And so unfortunately, we must admit, the same fate awaits the present Chinese government and its emissaries.

James Brophy

Dung-disturbers chided

To the Daily:

On March 13th, a talk at the Leacock Building by Mr. Wang Dung, the Ambassador of China, had to be cancelled as a result of the disruptive actions of a Vietnamese group and others. The talk was organized by the East Asian Studies Centre and those who prevented the Chinese Ambassador from speaking (their pictures were in the Daily, March 14th) are members of the "Union Generale des Vietnamiens au Canada," an organization directed by the Hanoi government. Professor Sam Noumoff called these disturbers "hooligans," and a lot of other students at McGill have also expressed their discontent.

Representing the McGill non-communist Vietnamese Students' Association, we wish to clarify the following points:

- 1) None of our members were among those "hooligans," and we dissociate ourselves completely from the acts committed by the pro-Hanoi group.
- 2) We very strongly condemn such "hooliganism."
- 3) While not approving China's military actions against Viet-

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Today

Visions Quebec:

Free NFB flicks. "His Worship, Mr. Montreal" and "Le Devoir" 7:30 L219.

Concert Volunteers:

Those who volunteered to help out at the folk concert tonight are asked to meet in the Union Ballroom at 5 pm.

McGill Armenian Student Society:

Elections for a position on next year's executive will be held tonight in Union 310, at 5:30.

McGill Friends of Albania:

Seminar entitled "Favourable Study Conditions in Socialist Albania". Everyone welcome. Room 425 Student Centre, 7:30 pm.

Radio McGill Comedy:

After an honourable mention on CHOM's Comedy After Death, the Circle Jerks come to you live on tape today at 3 pm on Radio McGill. So take a break for some humorous comedy today at 3 pm.

History Lecture:

Prof. Frederick Krantz of Concordia University will speak on "the Modernity of the Italian Renaissance: A Problem" in Leacock 229 at 1:00 pm.

Economics Students' Association:

Presidential run-off election today in the Leacock lobby between 10:30 am and 2:15 pm. The candidates are Yves Bernard and Richard Szostak. All students currently enrolled in at least one economics course are eligible to vote.

McGill Figure Skating Club:

Meeting at 6:30 in Gym Lounge.

Ukrainian Students Association:

Don't miss today's meeting if you want to know what's happening. See you at the Union, room 310, at four.

Speech by Chinese Ambassador:

The speech by the Chinese Ambassador to Canada, Wang Dung, had been cancelled due to the disruption of a group of agitators. The audience & interested individuals please note that the text of his speech will be published in today's "Reporter".

McGill Outing Club:

Banquet tickets on sale today in MOC office 407. It will be

held at Don Carlos Restaurant March 30. Limited number so buy today! Third installment of Medicine for MOCers at 7:00, Arts 260. Topics to include treatment of burns, allergies, bites. All welcome.

Priscilla Herdman:

Appearing with Ian Tambllyn and Novick - Van Duser duo in Union Ballroom for McGill's first folk concert. Tickets at Sadie's \$3.50, students, \$4.50 public.

The eleventh hour at hand:

CUSO will show FIVE MINUTES TO MIDNIGHT, a film examining the inequitable distribution of world resources. 4824 Côte-des-Neiges, 8 pm.

Camera Club Elections:

General meeting room B01 Union, 5 pm. All interested students should attend. Agenda: elections, information, the summer. Don't miss this late meeting of the semester!

Lunchtime Theatre:

At McGill Players' Theatre. Presenting "In The Presence of Third Parties (Whether They Exist Or Not)". Sketches by Jean Giraudoux and Edward Gorey. With the assistance of e.e. cummings. Absurdly directed by Susan Rubenstein and Chris Caron. 1 pm in the Players' Theatre, 3rd floor Union. Admission reasonable (FREE!).

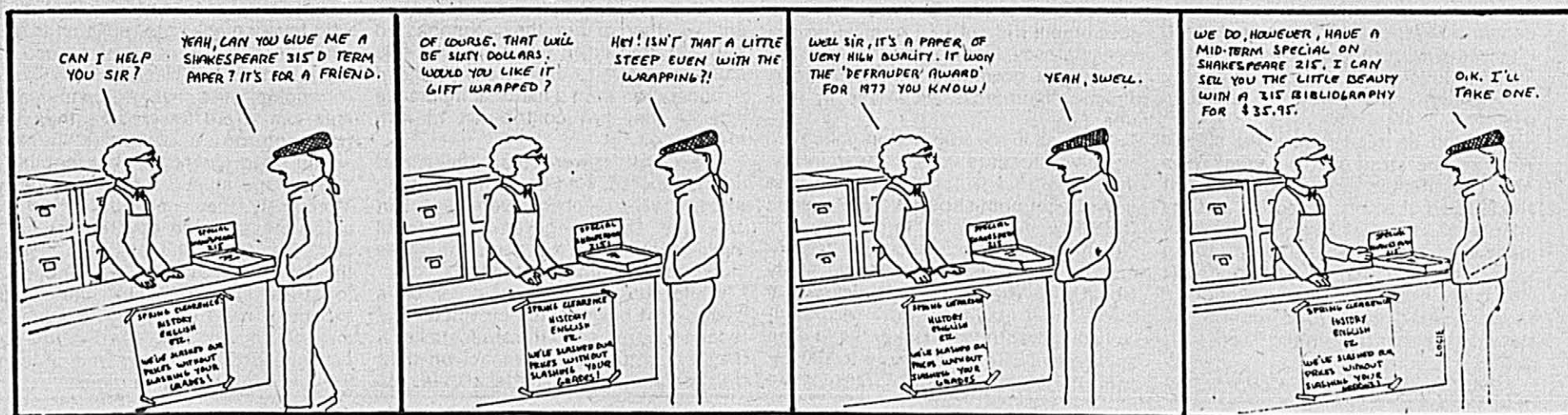
Faculty of Music free concerts:

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Live Theatre Tonight:

"Christ in the Concrete City" will be performed tonight by the McGill Christian Fellowship Players at 8 pm in the Bishop Mountain Hall. Refreshments will be served, admission is free, and all are welcome!

The Insiders by Stuart Logie



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361 — Articles for Sale

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367 — Cars for Sale

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372 — Lost & Found

The sleeping bag you stole on Friday didn't even belong to me, PLEASE drop it off at Sadie's, The Victim.

374 — Personal

LORI, SONJA, PAT - Greetings from the U.S. Congratulations on your graduation Lori, wish we could be there! Write soon, Love, Steve & Bert U.S.A.

385 — Notices

Want to rap with a Rabbi? Call

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Would you like to sing in one of McGill's choirs? Auditions: Fac. of Music, Sept 4 & 5. For more info contact Tom Plaunt or Eugene Plawutsky, 392-4558.

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All Students' Society Senators, Governors, and Chief
Executives of all accredited clubs and non-faculty
societies, for 1979-1980 term:

Meeting to Elect Representatives to Council:

Clubs and non-faculty societies:

Wednesday, 28 March, Union, Room B-01, 6:00 p.m.

Student Senators & Governors:

Thursday, 29 March, Union, Room 310, 6:00 p.m.

Please register with Chief Returning Officer, Michael
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L 132 7:30 Students \$1.00; Others \$2.00

Sat. 24 Mar.

James Broughton—San Francisco Film-
maker

L 132 8:00 Students \$1.00; Others 2.00

Research . . .

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warned in a press release last week that the nation's future economic and cultural growth is being endangered by the federal government's slow response to the need for increased research and development funding.

The statement was made during a two-day meeting to discuss the research and development concerns of universities and to hear the presidents of three federal granting councils describe their programs and future five-year plans.

One of the main topics of concern at the conference, the tremendous underfunding of research and development in Canada, was addressed by L. Denis Hudon, the undersecretary of the Ministry of State for Science and Technology. Hudon said current research and

development expenditures in Canada are only half those in other Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) countries such as Norway, Denmark, and Belgium. Currently, the total budget for Canadian research and development is equal to only 0.9% of the Gross Domestic Product.

Letters . . .

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nam, we think that there are many other, more democratic ways of expressing one's opinion and concerns for his country.

4) We feel that the Vietnamese in Canada are the guests of the Canadian government and people, therefore those disrupters should not have abused Canada's hospitality by disrupting the peace and order of this country, especially they should not have taken advantage of the great Canadian democratic freedom to engage

in such outrageously anti-democratic manifestations.

5) We would like to compare this incident to the present situation in our country—we believe the actions of those Hanoi supporters are a reflection of the intolerant mentality of those who propagate them and also of the government they claim to support. If in a free and democratic country like Canada, the pro-Hanoi group has not hesitated to act in such a way, they would naturally lack any respect for human rights in a country under their direct control. This explains the great exodus of the Vietnamese people since 1975.

6) In conclusion, we would like to add that we strongly believe that every individual at McGill is free to learn and think as objectively as possible and that no one has the right to intrude upon such a freedom.

McGill Vietnamese Students' Association

Business Manager Wanted

The Daily is looking for an eager student with business or management experience to serve as its business manager next year.

The successful applicant would be expected to sit on the Editorial Board of the Daily, oversee the finances of the paper, and meet on a regular basis with the Daily's Advertising Manager.

Business-oriented students should view this as an opportunity to manage a \$160,000 a year venture.

There is a small remuneration involved.

Interested students should submit a written application detailing experience and relevant information to the Daily advertising office.

Daily election for Editorial Board

The following people qualify under the Daily's constitution as staffers. The completion of three pieces of work (articles, cartoons, photographs, or production nights) qualifies a person to vote. The polls will be open from 3:00 to 5:15 pm.

After the editors are chosen there will be a staff meeting to discuss the composition of the Editorial Board for Volume 69.

The following staffers are running for the position of News Editor for Volume 69:

Rick Boudreau
Rick Boychuk
Denis Gascon
Harold Koblin

Stuart Logie
Peter Orr
Zev Robinson
Phil Petraglia

If you qualify as a staffer but your name does not appear on this list, see Ellen in the Daily office (B03) after 3 pm.

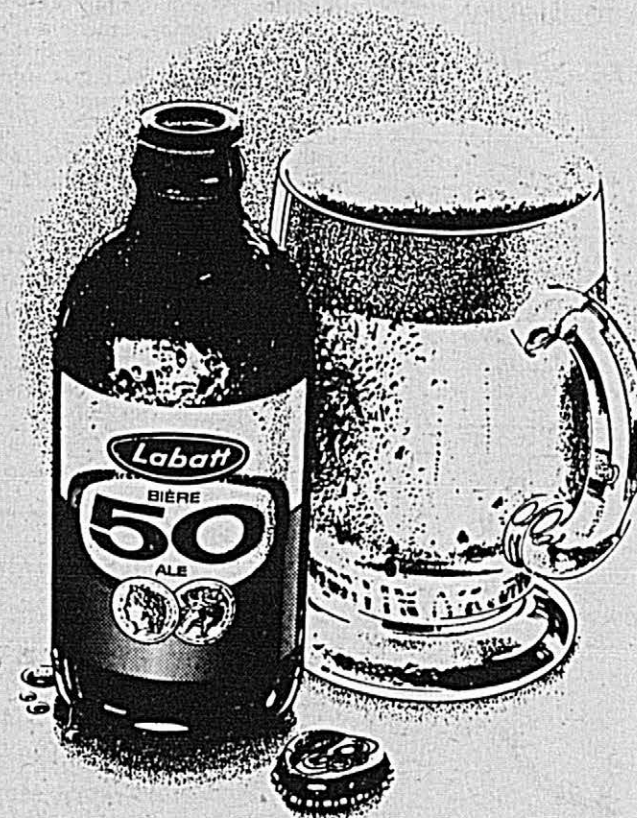
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Scharansky . . .

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not just another member of the Helsinki committee; he has become the symbol and substance of human rights and dignity."

Cotler argued that if "we don't act here ... we'll see a continuation of Gulag justice." As Scharansky's defence lawyer, he maintains that the evidence presented at the trial exposes the falsity and absurdities of the charges.

Igor Malchuk, dissident, scientist, and professor now residing in Montreal, complained of public apathy, especially here in Canada. "The United States has always helped us; Canada acts like little children." Paul Chapin voiced similar views but he added: "It is true, compared to the United States we have not made as many public announcements, but compared to European countries we're more active. The sincerity of the

Canadian government on human rights is not to be doubted."

The Helsinki Accord does not legally bind nations, yet it enables human rights to be discussed on an international level. The problem is that it has no "teeth." The sincerity of nations from the east bloc, especially the Soviet Union, was also doubted by the speakers.

Chapin termed the 'first review of the Helsinki Accords, held in Belgrade in 1977 and 1978, a "failure." He claims the conference was held too early, and nations could not realistically be expected to meet the provisions. The second review is planned for 1980, in Madrid.

Chapin says two lessons were learned from Belgrade. First, the West and East do not look at the final act in the same way. Secondly, the Soviet Union does not seek compromise. The West, in contrast, he said, "has sought to build confidence into detente."

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Students' Society Applications

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EDITOR-IN-CHIEF OLD MCGILL '80

Old McGill '80 is the hard cover, 300 page yearbook for the 1979-80 school year. It will include photographs of all McGill graduates of that year as well as other relevant material as the Editor sees fit.

EDITOR-IN-CHIEF STUDENT HANDBOOK

The Handbook will be given to every student at McGill during registration in September 1979. The book will include introductory material about McGill, Montreal, and the Students' Society.

CHAIRPERSON BLOOD DRIVE COMMITTEE

Blood Drive '79 will be held during five days in October 1979 in the Union Ballroom. The Chairperson must choose a committee to oversee publicity, entertainment, door prizes, clinic volunteers, etc.

CHIEF RETURNING OFFICER (CRO)

The CRO will supervise Students' Society elections and by-elections during the 1979-80 school year.

COORDINATOR SECONDHAND BOOK SALE 1979-80

The Students' Society will sponsor two secondhand book sales to be held in September 1979 and January 1980. The Coordinator must organize both sales, which includes finding student staff.

CHAIRPERSON WELCOME WEEK '79

Welcome Week is the week of activities held in September to welcome new and returning students. The Chairperson must choose a committee to oversee publicity, entertainment, etc.

CHAIRPERSON MCGILL PROGRAM BOARD

The Program Board, set up this year as a cooperative effort of several major campus groups, is involved with all aspects of programming including concerts, theatre, guest speakers, dances, seminars, etc. The Chairperson will chair monthly Board meetings, organize student volunteers at events and play a major role in selecting activities to be sponsored.

OMBUDSMAN OF THE MCGILL STUDENTS' SOCIETY

This position established by the Students' Society Constitution serves as a means by which students can obtain help in cutting through McGill bureaucracy at all levels and to inform students of the proper channels to air grievances.

CHAIRPERSON ACTIVITIES NIGHT '79

Activities Night is held traditionally during the second week of classes in September each year. The evening allows over 100 clubs at McGill to inform students about the groups and recruit new members. The Chairperson must appoint members of the organizing committee to deal with entertainment, publicity, etc.

NOTE:

All of the above positions are considered voluntary, however, in some cases small honoraria or part-time employment pay is involved.

Applications from two or more students to hold one position jointly will definitely be considered.

Application forms are available in the General Office of the Students' Society, Room 105, 3480 McTavish Street. Completed applications should be submitted to Ms. Denise Despres, Secretary, in the General Office NO LATER THAN 4:30 p.m. WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21st, 1979.

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Royal Victoria College - LAST DANCE Fri. March 23, 9 pm, 641 Sherbrooke W. featuring: Isolar Music & Light Show. Adm. \$1. only.

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